Stormwater Utility

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) requires the City of Warsaw to protect waterways from being polluted by stormwater. The stormwater fee will go towards meeting those requirements and maintaining the storm sewer system.



Stormwater Facts

Polluted stormwater runoff is recognized as one of the leading sources of waterway pollution. Some stormwater facts are:

- Stormwater runoff comes from hard surfaces such as roads, driveways, and sidewalks.
- Runoff water can pick-up pollutants that are harmful to plants, animals, and people.
- The storm sewer system is composed of different structures such as inlets, pipes, manholes, and ditches. These structures need to be cleaned, repaired, and sometimes replaced.
- Maintenance of the Utility is the most efficient way to protect water quality by reducing water pollution.



Stormwater on a Warsaw residential street.



Center for Lakes & Streams 2014 Art Contest Winner, Casey Dierks, Artist

How Will the Stormwater Utility Help Me?

The user fee is used to:

- Protect waterway quality by removing and reducing pollutants that may enter the storm sewer system.
- Fund projects to improve drainage and help reduce flooding in the community.
- Provide public education targeted at protecting our water resources.
- Improve beach safety.
- Provide resources to protect surface and groundwater from pollutants.

"Help protect our natural resources by keeping our streets clean from debris that can enter the storm sewer system and go to the lakes."

Calculating Your Stormwater Fee

The stormwater utility fee is paid by every property owner located in the City of Warsaw. All fees are paid monthly.

- A Residential fee is \$2.95 per residential unit.
- A Commercial fee is a "base rate" of \$1.05 plus \$1.90 per 3,550 square feet of impervious surface on the property, with a minimum fee of \$2.95. Impervious surface fees are charged for hard surfaces such as gravel, concrete, or asphalt, as well as roof surface areas.
- Parcels that are entirely unimproved and remain naturally undisturbed are exempt from the stormwater utility fee.

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